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State of preparedness of documents for the nineteenth session of the Governing Council

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1. In its resolution 33/56 of December 1978, the General Assembly decided that eight weeks before the opening of a meeting of an intergovernmental body, a report on "the state of preparedness of all documents for the session, in all languages" should be circulated.

2. In compliance with that resolution, the following table shows the state of preparedness of documents for the nineteenth session of the Governing Council as of 29 November 1996. For documents that have been distributed in all six official languages, it indicates the date of distribution. It should be noted that Monday, 16 December 1996 is the date by which documents are to be distributed in compliance with the six-week rule (rule 12, para. 3, of the rules of procedure of the Governing Council). An asterix indicates that a document is to contain information that is not yet available and hence cannot be circulated in accordance with the six-week rule.

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Agenda item	Symbol	Working title	Distribution of advance copies to CPR (English only)	Final distribution
1	n/a	Notification	14 August 1996	14 August 1996
1	UNEP/GC.19/1	Provisional agenda	14 August 1996	14 August 1996
2(a)	UNEP/GC.19/1/Add.1	Annotated provisional agenda and organization of work	2 December 1996	2 December 1996
2(b)	UNEP/GC.19/INF.6	State of preparedness of documents	n/a	2 December 1996
4	UNEP/GC.19/29	Executive Director's policy statement		*Will not meet 6-week rule
4(a)	UNEP/GC.19/26	Report on the Global Environment Outlook (GEO)	Early December	16 December 1996
4(a)	UNEP/GC.19/13	The environmental situation in the occupied Palestinian and other Arab territories	29 October 1996	16 December 1996

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4(b)	UNEP/GC.19/27	Globalization and the environment: emerging issues on the environment and trade agenda	Early December	16 December 1996
4(c)	UNEP/GC.19/28	Report on steps taken by UNEP and other United Nations entities on good environmental housekeeping	Early December	16 December 1996
4(c)	UNEP/GC.19/2	Issues arising from the resolution of the General Assembly at its fiftieth and fifty-first sessions specifically calling for action by the United Nations Environment Programme	15 September 1996	18 November 1996
4(c)	UNEP/GC.19/17	Report on the activities of the Inter-Agency Environment Coordination Group	20 November 1996	16 December 1996
4(c)	UNEP/GC.19/19	Report on the United Nations system-wide strategy in field of the environment	Early December	16 December 1996

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4(c)	UNEP/GC.19/INF.11	United Nations system-wide strategy in the field of the environment	n/a	16 December 1996
4(c)	UNEP/GC.19/7	UNEP's effort towards the implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa: 1995-1996	15 October 1996	16 December 1996
4(c)	UNEP/GC.19/12	Implementation of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-Based Activities: report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination (ACC) to the UNEP Governing Council on international cooperation in the field of environment	23 October 1996	16 December 1996
4(c)	UNEP/GC.19/8	Cooperation between UNEP and UNCHS (Habitat)	23 October 1996	16 December 1996

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4(c)	UNEP/GC.19/16	Participation of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) in the work of the Global Environment Facility (GEF)	14 November 1996	16 December 1996
4(c)	UNEP/GC.19/11	Coordination of convention secretariats	18 November 1996	16 December 1996
4(c)	UNEP/GC.19/INF.2	Memoranda of understanding concerning cooperation between the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and other organizations of United Nations system	2 October 1996	15 October 1996
4(d)	UNEP/GC.19/10	Review of the governing structures of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)	16 October 1996	16 December 1996
5	UNEP/GC.19/30	UNEP's contribution to the special session of the General Assembly in 1997		*Will not meet 6-week rule
5	UNEP/GC.19/20	Costs for UNEP to implement fully the parts of Agenda 21 recommended for its attention	Early December	16 December 1996

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6	UNEP/GC.19/INF.9	Mid-term review and status of implementation of the programme of work 1996-1997	Consultation draft was distributed on 4 October 1996	2 December 1996
6	UNEP/GC.19/INF.3	In-depth evaluation of the programme on environment: report on the implementation of the recommendations	n/a	30 October 1996
6	UNEP/GC.19/24	Progress report on the development of an international legally binding instrument for the application of the Prior Informed Consent (PIC) procedure for certain hazardous chemicals in international trade and further measures to reduce the risks from hazardous chemicals	Early December	16 December 1996
6	UNEP/GC.19/INF.7	Report of the Government-designated Group of Experts on Further Measures to Reduce the Risks from a Limited Number of Hazardous Chemicals on its work	n/a	16 December 1996

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6	UNEP/GC.19/23	Progress report on the implementation of Governing Council decision 18/32 on persistent organic pollutants (POPs), including the recommendations of the International Forum on Chemical Safety for international action on persistent organic pollutants	Early December	16 December 1996
6	UNEP/GC.19/INF.8	Final report of the IFCS Ad Hoc Working Group on Persistent Organic Pollutants	n/a	16 December 1996
6	UNEP/GC.19/25	Report on UNEP's role as secretariat of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities	Early December	16 December 1996
6	UNEP/GC.19/INF.4	Institutional arrangements for implementation of the Global Programme of Action for Protection of Marine Environment from Land-based Activities	n/a	11 November 1996

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6	UNEP/GC.19/9	The role of women in environment and development	17 October 1996	16 December 1996
6	UNEP/GC.19/31	Report on international conventions and protocols in the field of the environment		* Will not meet 6-week rule
6	UNEP/GC.19/32	Report on progress made in further development of international environmental law aiming at sustainable development		* Will not meet 6-week rule
6	UNEP/GC.19/INF.12	Mid-term report on implementation of the Programme for the development and periodic review of environmental law for the 1990s		* Will not meet 6-week rule
6	UNEP/GC.19/INF.13	Position paper for international environmental law aiming at sustainable development		* Will not meet 6-week rule

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6	UNEP/GC.19/INF.14	Report of the meeting of senior government officials expert in environmental law	n/a	*Will not meet 6-week rule
6	UNEP/GC.19/14	Improvement of the international response to environmental emergencies	14 November 1996	16 December 1996
7	UNEP/GC.19/22	The Environment Fund budget: revised proposals for 1996-1997 and proposals for 1998-1999	Early December	16 December 1996
7	UNEP/GC.19/L.1	Comments of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the composite budget document of UNEP		* Will not meet 6-week rule
7	UNEP/GC.19/18	Administrative cost of trust funds to UNEP	28 November 1996	16 December 1996
7	UNEP/GC.19/4	Management of trust funds	24 September 1996	18 November 1996
7	UNEP/GC.19/5	Developments in conference-servicing	14 October 1996	16 December 1996

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7	UNEP/GC.19/33	The Executive Director's comments on the report of the Board of Auditors on the financial report and audited financial statements of the Environment Fund for the biennium 1994-1995		* Will not meet 6-week rule
7	UNEP/GC.19/6	Prevention of waste, fraud and mismanagement in UNEP	15 October 1996	16 December 1996
7	UNEP/GC.19/6/Add.1	Prevention of waste, fraud and mismanagement - Addendum	12 November 1996	16 December 1996
7	UNEP/GC.19/INF.1	Biennial report of the Board of Auditors to UNEP	n/a	25 October 1996
7	UNEP/GC.19/15	Enhancing human-resource utilization within UNEP while ensuring the complementary and appropriate use of individual and corporate consultancies	21 November 1996	22 November 1996

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7	UNEP/GC.19/3	Revision of the Financial Rules of UNEP and revision of the General Procedures Governing the operations of the Fund of UNEP	No advance copies distributed	15 October 1996
7	UNEP/GC.19/21	Report on progress made on the implementation of the Mercure Satellite telecommunications system	Early December	16 December 1996
7	UNEP/GC.19/INF.5	Status of implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors	n/a	2 December 1996
7	UNEP/GC.19/INF.10	Ensuring adequate and predictable financing of United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP): a challenge to Governments	n/a	2 December 1996